

# **DÚN LAOGHAIRE RATHDOWN**

## **APRIL MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORT**

**30 March – 26 April 2023**

**Corporate Affairs** ..... 3  
 Director: Stephen Brady

**Finance and Water Services** ..... 6  
 Director: Helena Cunningham

**Housing \***  
 Director: Catherine Keenan

**Planning and Economic Development**..... 9  
 Director: Aidan Blighe

**Forward Planning Infrastructure \***  
 Director: Anne Devine

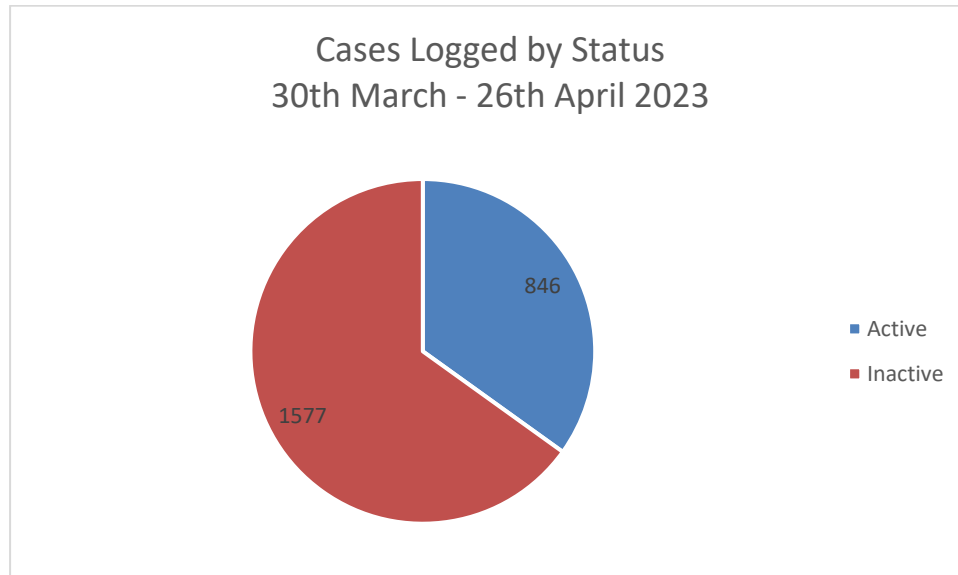
**Infrastructure and Climate Change** ..... 15  
 Director: Paul Kennedy

**Architects**..... 25  
 County Architect: Andrée Dargan

**Community, Cultural Service and Parks**.....26  
 Director: Therese Langan

\*Included in Quarterly Management Report

### Civic Hub Stats



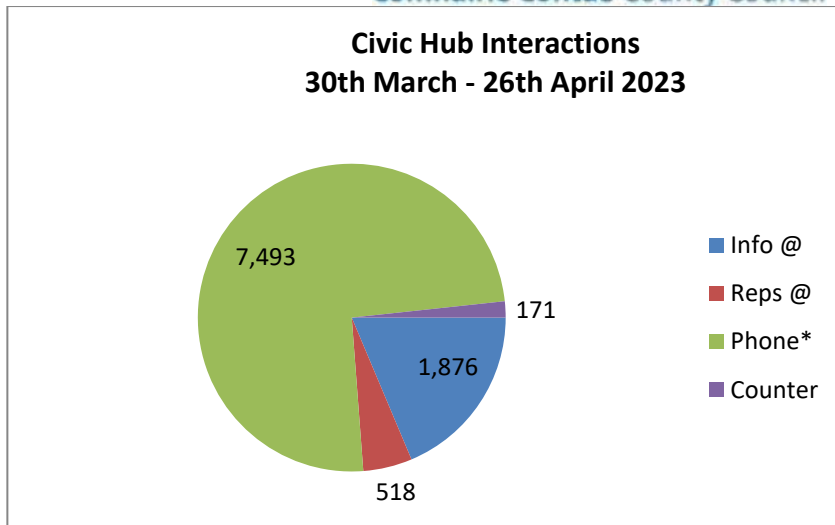
### Cases logged from 30<sup>th</sup> March – 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Open	846
Closed	1577

### Cases Logged from 30<sup>th</sup> March – 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023, by Section:

Section/Dept	Open	Closed	Total
Architects		9	9
Communications	27	293	320
Community	5	2	7
Corporate Services	2	3	5
dlrcoco	1		1
Enterprise	3		3
Environment	152	284	436
Finance	18	242	260
Housing	60	105	165
Parks	229	138	367
Planning	9	12	21
Property	10	7	17
Transportation	324	396	720
Waste Enforcement	12	63	75
Water Services	7	14	21
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>846</b>	<b>1577</b>	<b>2423</b>

\* Pie chart excludes abandoned calls



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**Civic Hub Activities:**

**Cases logged from**

Phone Statistics	Answered Directly	Transferred to overflow
	6250	1243

Emails received	Info@	Repls@	Total Emails
	1876	518	2394

Counter Interactions	Civic Hub	Appointments	Total
	137	34	171

**Freedom of Information**

There were 11 FOI requests received during this period.

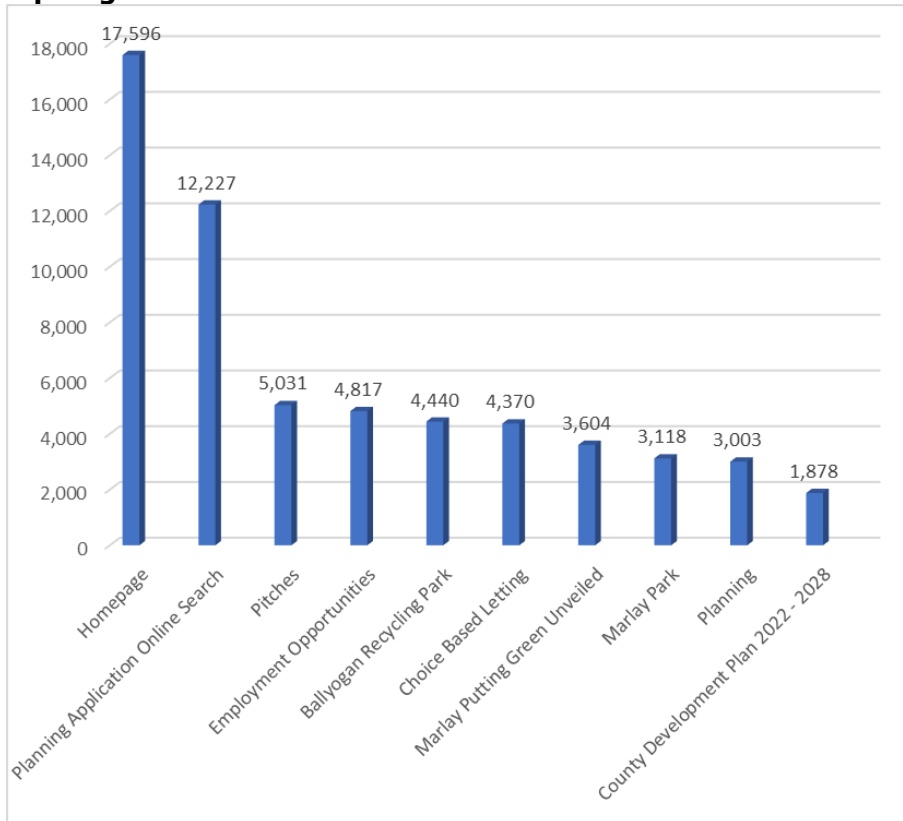
**Press Queries**

There were 24 press queries received during this period.

**Website Activity – page views**

Website	Page Views
Dlrcoco.ie	172,203
Dlrevents.ie	8,115
dlrLibraries	26,710

### Top Pages



### Social Media Activity

#### Profiles

Review your aggregate profile and page metrics from the reporting period.

Profile ▲	Audience	Net Audience Growth	Published Posts	Impressions	Engagements	Engagement Rate (per Impression)	Video Views
<b>Reporting Period</b> Mar 30, 2023 - Apr 26, 2023	<b>78,179</b> ▲ 0.2%	<b>167</b> ▼ 46.3%	<b>622</b> ▼ 26.4%	<b>783,902</b> ▼ 26%	<b>24,034</b> ▼ 35.3%	<b>3.1%</b> ▼ 12.6%	<b>10,251</b> ▼ 67.8%
<b>Compare to</b> Mar 2, 2023 - Mar 29, 2023	<b>77,999</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>845</b>	<b>1,059,580</b>	<b>37,158</b>	<b>3.5%</b>	<b>31,830</b>
@DLR_Libraries	8,769	-3	43	24,194	503	2.1%	11
@dlrArts	3,017	7	19	8,033	181	2.3%	6
@dlrcc	19,685	51	132	190,548	3,872	2%	4,550
@dlrheritevents	4,002	5	32	32,373	702	2.2%	96
@leo_dlr	5,607	-10	74	9,326	81	0.9%	0
dlrcoco.ie	6,925	45	109	90,377	1,333	1.5%	551
dlrevents	12,231	4	15	20,702	1,286	6.2%	9
Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council	14,719	50	131	264,417	10,285	3.9%	2,037
Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Sports Partnership	3,224	18	67	143,932	5,791	4%	2,991

DLR CAPITAL ACCOUNT INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION TO 31/03/2023				
SERVICE DIVISION	Balance at 01/01/2023 €	Expenditure YTD €	Income YTD €	Balance at 31/03/2023 €
A Total Housing & Building	-19,396,542	15,947,687	-14,507,567	-17,956,422
B Total Road Transport & Safety	-7,132,720	5,477,964	-4,956,389	-6,611,145
C Total Water Services	-2,106,576	144,786	-129,784	-2,091,575
D Total Development Management	-190,242,443	13,958,555	658,402	-175,625,486
E Total Environmental Services	-2,177,644	0	-142,582	-2,320,226
F Total Recreation & Amenity	-13,296,870	1,606,377	-1,552,744	-13,243,237
G Total Agriculture, Education, Health&Safety	-4,040,386	27,907	0	-4,012,479
H Total Miscellaneous Services	-41,554,458	83,530	-114,277	-41,585,204
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>-279,947,639</b>	<b>37,246,806</b>	<b>-20,744,942</b>	<b>-263,445,775</b>

SUMMARY OF RATES DEBTORS TO 31/03/2023						
	Balance at 01/01/2023 €		Balance at 31/03/2023		Current year debit €	Arrears >1 year
RATES	25,264,293		99,389,093		76,847,927	22,541,166

**DLR REVENUE ACCOUNT**  
**INCOME & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY SERVICE DIVISION TO 31/03/2023**

25.00%

		EXPENDITURE		
SERVICE DIVISION		Expenditure €	Adopted Full Year Budget €	Exp as % of Budget
A	Housing & Building	15,885,847	72,721,224	21.84%
B	Road Transport & Safety	8,269,147	35,181,888	23.50%
C	Water Services	3,152,385	12,568,752	25.08%
D	Development Management	10,255,115	28,095,012	36.50%
E	Environmental Services	8,847,821	36,294,420	24.38%
F	Recreation & Amenity	9,372,461	37,496,868	25.00%
G	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	1,516,577	4,792,800	31.64%
H	Miscellaneous Services	2,290,756	9,364,272	24.46%
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>59,590,108</b>	<b>236,515,236</b>	<b>25.20%</b>

		INCOME		
SERVICE DIVISION		Income €	Adopted Full year Budget €	Inc as % of Budget
A	Housing & Building	13,195,336	64,175,328	20.56%
B	Road Transport & Safety	3,185,463	13,012,752	24.48%
C	Water Services	2,071,503	8,420,220	24.60%
D	Development Management	5,640,983	6,560,712	85.98%
E	Environmental Services	1,735,474	7,498,392	23.14%
F	Recreation & Amenity	1,135,427	5,699,244	19.92%
G	Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	692,334	3,369,900	20.54%
H	Miscellaneous Services	4,578,461	17,213,376	26.60%
<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>32,234,980</b>	<b>125,949,924</b>	<b>25.59%</b>

LPT	Local Property Tax	3,141,651	97,998,804	3.21%
RA	Rates	24,605,718	12,566,604	195.80%
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>59,982,349</b>	<b>236,515,332</b>	<b>25.36%</b>

<b>Balance as at 31/03/2023</b>	<b>€392,241</b>	<b>Surplus</b>
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### **Drainage and Flood Alleviation**

Engineering and Environmental Consultants were appointed in December 2019 for Flood Risk Management works on the Deansgrange Stream. This is a 4-to-5-year project. Activities completed to date include additional survey work, CCTV surveys, a Constraints Study, Hydrological analysis, and hydraulic modelling. Optioneering, environmental surveys and engagement with key stakeholders continue. A Ground Investigation Contract is complete. We have received preliminary approval from Irish Rail to tunnel under the rail line. Public Consultation on the preferred option took place on the 13<sup>th</sup> December. The environmental impacts review is almost completed. The Part 8 submission is proposed shortly.

Engineering and Environmental Consultants have also been appointed for Flood Risk Management Works on the Carrickmines/Shanganagh Rivers. This is a 5+ year project. Data gathering is underway. A Flow/Rainfall Survey is complete. Further topographical survey work has been done. Early damage/benefits assessments are underway to ensure a cost-beneficial scheme is achievable. An initial public engagement is complete following short briefing sessions with Area Councillors. The Hydrology/Hydraulic report is now complete. The on-site Site Investigation work is largely completed. The options for the project are being considered. Interim technical reports have been developed for some option locations due to the complexity.

The Monkstown environs flood risk mapping project is substantially completed, and final draft mapping and draft options have been submitted for review.



**Planning Applications – monthly statistics 30<sup>th</sup> March – 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023**

	Outline Permission	Permission	Total
New application Received*	2	107	109
Decision Deferred	0	23	23
Decision to Grant**	1	107	108
Decision to Refuse**	0	7	7
Issued within 2 months or 8 weeks	1	91	92
Invalid Applications	1	16	17

\*Includes 15 Applications for Retention.

\*\*Split decisions; Grant Permission & Refuse Permission (inc. For Retention) are entered in as a decision under both "Decision to Grant" and "Decision to Refuse".

1 no. Split Decisions (to Grant and Refuse).

**Large-scale Residential Development (LRD) Applications**

Planning Applications received under Section 5 of the Planning and Development (Amendment) (Large-scale Residential Development) Act 2021.

Case No	Applicant's Name & Brief Description of Development	Date Application Received	Last Day for Submissions/Observations	Application Website	Decision due date by DLR
LRD23A/0214	<p>Westleton Ltd.            Balally Shopping Centre, Blackthorn Drive, Sandyford, Dublin 16.</p> <p>Construction of an 2-8 storey over basement with existing retail/commercial units to be retained at ground floor level 'build to rent' residential scheme of 165 No. dwellings on a site 0.9678 ha. in size which includes the existing shopping centre.</p> <p>Development contains 7 No. studio, 102 No. 1 bed, 8 No. 2 bed 3 person &amp; 48 No. 2 bed 4 person apartments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Block A: comprises 113 No. units (7 No. studio, 74 No. 1 bed, 8 No. 2 bed 3 person, 24 No. 2 bed 4 person) in an 8 storey block;</li> <li>• Block B: comprises 16 No. units (5 No. 1 bed, 11 No. 2 bed 4 person) in an 8 storey block;</li> <li>• Block C: comprises 36 No. units (23 No. 1 bed, 13 No. 2 bed 4 person) in a 7 storey block; &amp;</li> <li>• Internal communal amenity space for residents is provided on the first floor (435 sqm).</li> </ul>	04/04/2023	08/05/2023	<a href="http://www.balallylrd.com">www.balallylrd.com</a>	29/05/2023

LRD23A /0217	KW PRS ICAV  Lands adjacent to 'The Grange', Brewery Road/Stillorgan Road, Blackrock, Co. Dublin.  Permission & retention permission sought for a L.R.D. comprising of minor amendments to permitted S.H.D. granted under planning reg. ref. ABP 305345-19 & consists of:  1. Block J: Changing the façade material of the lower element of Block J from render to brick. 2. Block P: Layout and Elevational amendments to the creche (Block P) resulting in a combined overall increase in area of 20.6 sqm to include: • Minor changes to fenestration detail & dimensions of windows & doors, modification of 1 no. ground level window screen to incorporate an escape door, changing 2 no. ground level windows to doors for escape purposes, omission of 1no. window and associated side panels at ground & 1no. at first floor, omission of 5 no. side panels to windows, omission of louvre screen at bin store, change of perimeter glass balustrade at roof terrace level to vertical metal flat bar balustrade on eastern elevations & to rendered parapet on western elevations;  Retention permission is also sought for construction of 2 no. 2 bed units with associated balconies in Block H in lieu of 2 no. 1 bed units resulting in an overall development mix of 19 no. Studios, 123 no. 1-bed units, 145 -no. 2-bed units. There is no change to the total number of units as permitted under ABP Ref 305345-19	06/04/2023	10/05/2023	<a href="http://www.grange.lrd.ie">www.grange.lrd.ie</a>	31/05/2023
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<https://planning.aqileapplications.ie/dunlaoghaire/application-details/95750>  
<https://planning.aqileapplications.ie/dunlaoghaire/application-details/95766>

### Planning Counter Figures: 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023 to 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Customers Served	247
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### RZLT update

- A total of 82 submissions on the draft RZLT map were received by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown.
- There were no third-party submissions seeking the inclusion of additional lands.
- DLR had until 1st April 2023 to make a determination on submissions.
- A Supplemental Map, showing new sites only, is to be published by 1st May 2023.

### Building Control: 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023 to 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Fire Safety Certs applications received*	8
Fire Safety Certs applications Granted *	19
Fire Safety Certs applications Refused/Withdrawn/Invalid *	2/0/0
Disability Access Cert Applications Received **	5
Disability Access Cert Applications Granted / Refused**	5/0
Commencement Notices Validated	55
7 Day Notices received	3
Completion Certs Validated	18

\*Includes FSCs, Reg Certs, 7 Day Notices & Rev Fire Certs

\*\*Includes DACs, Dispensation/ Relaxation

**Local Enterprise Office and Economic Development Unit**

<b>Approvals for Financial Assistance Year to Date</b>		
	Total approved April 2023	Enterprise Ireland target April 2023
Feasibility Study	4	16
Business Priming	2	
Business Expansion	7	
Technical Assistance for Micro Exporters	3	
Trading Online Vouchers	38	15
Other Grant Applications (Green, Agile, IP etc.)	3	7
Microfinance Ireland *	3	4
<b>Total Approvals</b>	<b>60</b>	

\*Number of clients supported to submit MFI application for approval by MFI

<b>Job creation as a result of direct financial assistance</b>	
	April 2023
No of jobs created	12

<b>Clients assisted in LEO activities Year to Date for 2023</b>	<b>Total April 2023</b>
Number of applications for Financial Assistance	73
Clients attending Networking Events	194
Clients commencing training and attending workshops or seminars	488
Clients commencing mentoring assignments	96
Clients attending Business Advice clinics	168
<b>Total No of Clients Assisted</b>	<b>1019</b>

<b>DLR Economic Development Supports</b>	<b>Total April 2023</b>
Vacant Commercial Premises Scheme	0
Shop Front Improvement Scheme	0
Business Promotion Grants	0
Street Furniture Grants	0

**Enterprise Promotion activities in April 2023**

<b>DLR Enterprise News</b>	<p><a href="#">LEO DLR - Upcoming Training &amp; Events April 2023</a> (Sent 06/04/23) Open rate 56%, 3335 recipients</p> <p><a href="#">Training Opportunities for DLR's small</a></p>
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	<b>businesses</b> (Sent 21/04/23) Open rate 53%, 3332 recipients
<b>Business Advice Sessions</b>	Business Advice Sessions throughout April
<b>Pricing vs. Costing: 2-part Series</b>	12th April
<b>Strategic Development &amp; Business Planning</b>	19th April
<b>Paid Ad Campaign Settings &amp; Structure</b>	24 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>Pitching &amp; Attracting Investors</b>	26 <sup>th</sup> April

<b>LEO dlr Social Media Analysis: March 30<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> April 2023</b>				
	<b>No of followers</b>	<b>No of New followers</b>	<b>No of posts</b>	<b>Impressions</b>
<b>Facebook</b>	2,161	2	69	579
<b>Twitter</b>	5,607	-10	69	7,890
<b>Instagram</b>	1,584	34	69	683

## **Tourism Development**

### **Cruise Welcome, training, artwork & staff**

The 1<sup>st</sup> four cruise ships arrived this month into Dun Laoghaire harbour. Upon arrival the guests are greeted with large scale welcome imagery of the area. On their way out of the harbour they then see visuals suggesting places to see in the county.

Staff training took place for the panel of welcome staff to welcome the guests over the summer. The staff were briefed on what guests can see, do and the wealth of events available to the guests throughout the year.

A new welcome kiosk was branded and placed in the harbour. The new kiosk was wrapped in dlr colours and shows icons of the local landmarks.

### **Piloting Walking Tours**

With the arrival of the 1<sup>st</sup> cruise ships there is a pilot walking tour programme in place to guide guests around the town and into the bars/restaurants.

### **Zipit – Zip Trail Opening**

On 24<sup>th</sup> April Zipit launched their new 30-minute additional zip lining course to their Tibbradden facility. The investment of €200,000 by Cool Running Events was launched by Minister Catherine Martin and attended by representatives from dlr Tourism, Coillte & Failte Ireland.

### **Quarterly Ezine**

Our 1<sup>st</sup> quarterly ezine went out at the start of the month with all the reopened activities this spring along with upcoming events.

### **Coastival 2023**

DLR Tourism are collaborating on the development of a new summer festival in Dun Laoghaire called Coastival. Preparations & planning of events during the new Coastival Festival are ongoing.

### **New DLR Tourism Strategy 2023 – 2028**

A baseline study & the consultation phase of the new tourism strategy are currently being prepared.

### **Winter in Dublin**

Failte Ireland launched their plans for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of Winter in Dublin promoting Dublin as a destination in the shoulder seasons of Nov to Jan. The networking event took place at Guinness storehouse and was attended by dlr tourism and tourism providers in the county.

### **Social Media Analysis April 2023**

	<b>No of followers</b>	<b>No of New followers</b>	<b>No of posts</b>	<b>Impressions</b>
<b>Facebook</b>	8,796	162	13	30,489
<b>Twitter</b>	3,850	3	13	8,500
<b>Instagram</b>	3,175	18	13	3,696

## **Dún Laoghaire Harbour**

### **Cruise Ship Business**

The Cruise Ship Season has commenced with approximately 95 Cruise Ships booked in for 2023 at present with over 160,000 passengers and 68,000 crew. We are working with the Tourism Department, the Dun Laoghaire Business Association and the Dun Laoghaire Chamber of Commerce to maximise the local benefits of the cruise visitors.

### **Grant Funding**

The Brexit Adjustment Local Authority Marine Infrastructure (BALAMI) Scheme 2022 – 2023 from the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine has launched a Second Tranche call for applications. Dún Laoghaire Harbour received over €3 million in grant funding from the first tranche. We submitted 5 grant applications to this scheme by the deadline of 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022 and have been awarded another €1 million in grant funding for improvements on the Carlisle Pier.

### **Projects:**

#### **National Watersports Campus**

DLRCC in partnership with Irish Sailing and the Irish Underwater Council have been approved in principle for Stream 1 Grant funding for the development of a National Watersports Campus. We have responded to requests for additional information and are now finalising the grant process and agreements with the project partners. An MOU has been signed with Irish Sailing and Diving Ireland in order to set out and agree the objectives of the project.

A concept brochure was presented to the Elected Members during the February 2023 Council meeting and has since been published. It is hoped that this initiative will assist in building momentum and support for the project.

#### **Berth 2 Fenders (Carlisle Pier)**

A project to replace the Berth 2 Fenders has been given approval to proceed to procurement stage. RPS Group have been appointed to carry out the design and procurement for this project. This project was tendered, and Sorensen Construction have been appointed to deliver the project. We are awaiting Foreshore Consent to proceed to works on site.

Grant funding has recently been secured for the installation phase of this project from the recent Brexit Local Authority Marine Infrastructure Scheme.

### **Berth 3 Fenders (Carlisle Pier)**

Grant funding has recently been secured for a project to replace the Berth 3 Fenders from the recent Brexit Local Authority Marine Infrastructure Scheme. The project has been given approval to proceed to procurement stage. RPS Group have been appointed to carry out the design and procurement for this project as it is a mirror image of the Berth 2 Fender project.

### **Carlisle Pier Deck repairs and lighting**

Grant funding has recently been secured for a project to resurface the deck of the Carlisle Pier and install lighting towers from the recent Brexit Local Authority Marine Infrastructure Scheme. The contractor is now on site and works are progressing well. This project should be completed by late May 2023.

### **East Pier Revetment Repairs**

Grant funding has recently been secured for a project to repair the sloping revetment at the back (east side) of the East Pier from the recent Brexit Local Authority Marine Infrastructure Scheme. This revertant provides the primary protection for the East Pier and has suffered some damage over recent years from the larger storms. Punch Consulting Engineers have been appointed to design and manage the project which is likely to be on site during the summer of 2023. Cunningham Civil & Marine have been appointed to carry out the works on this project and it is due to commence on site in June/July this year.

### **Ferry Terminal**

Retrofit works have commenced in the front office portion of the ferry terminal building, and this section is nearing completion. The tenant hopes to have the first sub-tenants on site in Q2 2023.

### **Dublin Array Windfarm**

The developers of the Dublin Array Windfarm have approached the Harbour about the possibility of establishing an Operations and Maintenance Base for the windfarm. It is hoped that there might be synergies with the Ferry Terminal project. Early engagement is ongoing with the developer's team to establish the exact requirements.

### **Coastival Festival 2023**

The Biennial Dun Laoghaire Regatta is due to take place in July 2023. We are working with several DLRCC departments to expand this into a week-long festival named "Coastival" for the Dun Laoghaire Town and Harbour areas. This is planned to run from 1<sup>st</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> July and many DLRCC departments are involved in putting together a schedule of events.

**Environmental Enforcement:**

<b>30<sup>th</sup> March – 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Enforcement Complaints – Opened	24	Air/Noise/Waste
Enforcement Complaints – Closed	25	Air/Noise/Waste
Environment Cases – Opened (Dumping/Litter)	92	Litter Section
Environment Cases – Closed (Dumping/Litter)	93	Litter Section
Litter Fines issued	25	Litter Pollution Act/Litter Bye-laws
Waste Fines issued	3	Waste Bye-laws
Legal Proceedings initiated	2	Litter Pollution Act/Litter Bye-laws/Waste Bye-laws

<b>Dog Statistics DATE 01/04/23 to 26/04/2023</b>	
No of dogs on hand on 01/04/2023	6
No of dogs entering the shelter	7
No of dogs rehomed	3
No of dogs reclaimed	3
No of dogs sent to rescue	3
No of dogs put to sleep	0
No of dogs remaining in the pound on 26/04/2023	4
Dog attacks in this period	3 – none on people

**Municipal Services**

The Ballyogan Regional Temporary Rest Centre opened its doors to Ukrainian nationals on 28 April. The Rest Centre continues to accommodate up to 300 displaced Ukrainian nationals for short periods. Over 3,000 people have stayed at the Centre for short periods.

As part of a comprehensive wrap around service, accommodation services at the Centre are being supported by HSE staff including Environmental Health, Public Health and COVID-19 services. The HSE is providing onsite support to meet the healthcare needs of Ukrainian residents, and residents also have access to an offsite GP service 7 days a week.

Among the facilities available in the temporary rest Centre is separate laundry and sanitary facilities, internet access, television spaces, games consoles, games room, chessboards, use of bikes and scooters, libraries of Ukrainian books for children and adults, translation services, as well as online access to Ukrainian newspapers and magazines.

Additionally, orientation and information sessions, basic English language lessons and an arts and music entertainment programme is being developed both onsite and nearby offsite.

Local coordination efforts continue to provide comprehensive support services from Southside Partnership, HSE, An Garda Síochána, Department of Social Protection, dlr Education and Training Board, TUSLA, Community and Family Resource Centres, dlr Volunteers Centre, colleagues in the East Region and a number of other community and voluntary groups.

Work is now underway to provide extra facilities, including 92 extra beds, a homework club room for children, an adult’s workspace, and a new improved space for teenagers.

### 1. Road Maintenance Management Report - April 2023

Ref.	Programme Type	STATUS				Comments
		Design Stage	Tendered	On site	Complete	
<b>RRP Major</b>	<b>Road Resurfacing Programme - Major Works</b>					
1	The Park Estate Cabinteely (part of)			✓		
2	Mulvey Park (part of)			✓		
3	Barrack Road, Glencullen (part of)		✓			
4	Meadowmount (part of)	✓				Works have been surveyed and measured on site
5	College Road / Killmashogue (part of)	✓				Works have been surveyed and measured on site
6	Ballinclea Road (part of)		✓			Contractor has been appointed
7	Ashlawn Estate (part of)	✓				liaising with IW, ESB, PL and other utilities. Held a meeting with Councillors in March 2023
8	Glenageary Road Upper		✓			Contractor has been appointed
9	Barnhill Road (part of)	✓				Design nearly complete
10	Dalkey Avenue (part of)	✓				A survey has been undertaken
11	Monkstown Crescent (part of)	✓				A survey has been undertaken
<b>RRP Minor</b>	<b>Road Resurfacing Programme - Minor Works ('Patching')</b>					
1	Old Clonkeen Road	✓				
2	Trisilian, Foxrock	✓				
3	Olivemount Grove / Road		✓			Works have been tendered
4	Prospect Lawn	✓		✓		
5	Brennanstown Road	✓				
6	Grange Wood		✓			
7	Idrone Lane				✓	Works completed



Ref.	Programme Type	STATUS				Comments
		Design Stage	Tendered	On site	Complete	
8	Puck's Castle Lane	✓				
9	Sallynoggin Road	✓				A survey has been undertaken
10	Avondale Road (driveways)		✓			Project has been tendered
11	Rock Road (Boosterstown to Blackrock)	✓				
12	Foxrock Court	✓				
13	Dundela Estate (parts of)	✓				
<b>FP</b>	<b>Footpath Upgrade Programme</b>					
1	Pine Valley (part of)			✓		
2	Sandyford Business District (part of)		✓			
3	Kerrymount Avenue (part of)	✓				
4	The Park, Cabinteely (part of)			✓		
5	Mount Anville Road (part of)				✓	
6	Dún Laoghaire Town (part of Northumberland Avenue)		✓			Phase 2 Project has been tendered
7	Watson's Estate (part of)	✓				survey carried out
8	Thornhill Road (part of)	✓				
9	Trafalgar Terrace		✓			Contractor to be appointed soon
<b>BSP</b>	<b>Bridges &amp; Structures Programme</b>					
1	Dublin Road Shankill Bridge	✓				
2	Category 3 Bridges - Bridge assessment	✓				
<b>DGRP</b>	<b>Drainage / Gully Repair Programme</b>					
1	Ballinteer Road at Lynwood				✓	
2	Mount Albion Road, Churchtown	✓				
3	Brighton Road, Foxrock	✓				
4	Cherrywood Road/Bray Road junction	✓				
5	Orwell Road (Eaton Brea)	✓				
6	Castlebyrne Park	✓				
7	Priory Avenue	✓				
8	Mounttown Road Upper				✓	works nearly complete
9	Silchester Park/Adelaide Road junction	✓				
<b>NRP</b>	<b>National Roads Programme</b>					
1	N11-N31, 3-Year Resurfacing					

Ref.	Programme Type	STATUS				Comments
		Design Stage	Tendered	On site	Complete	
<b>AWP</b>	<b>Accessibility Works Programme</b>					
1	Loreto Park (part of)	✓				
2	Mulvey Park (part of)				✓	
3	Marine Road Pedestrian crossings				✓	Works are completed
4	Laneway between Seaview Park and Shanganagh Road (near Texaco Garage)	✓				
<b>CMP</b>	<b>Cycleway Maintenance Programme</b>					
1	Wyckham Bypass	✓				
2	N11 3-Year Resurfacing Programme	✓				
3	Sallyglen Road (part of)	✓				
<b>EMP</b>	<b>Estate Management Programme</b>					
1	Moreen/Blackthorn	✓				
2	Rathsallagh Estate	✓				Survey carried out
<b>TICP</b>	<b>Taking in Charge Programme*</b>					
1	Redesdale Estate - certain laneways	✓				
2	Foxrock Wood - Beech Park Laneway	✓				
	<i>*Subject to investigation and clarification of ownership, assessment of works and costs needed to bring these roads/laneways up to taking in charge standard, no commitment can be made at this stage as completing such works would be dependent on available funding and resources.</i>					
<b>RCRP</b>	<b>Roads Control Reinstatement Programme</b>					
1	Cherrygarth, Stillorgan	✓				
2	Stonebridge Lane, Shankill	✓				

## 2. Traffic & Road Safety

	Preliminary Design Stage	Public Consultation	Detailed Design Stage	Tendered	On site	Complete	Comment
<b>NTA STMG Schemes 2023 – Schemes being progressed by Traffic &amp; Road Safety Section</b>							
Stillorgan Park Road to Carysfort Ave				✓			Issue has arisen with the Tender documents and assessment.
Sandyford Business District Cycle Routes				✓			The contractor has started a 3-month programme for the construction of public realm schemes at the end of Ballymoss Road and Arkle Road.
Sandyford Cycle Route (Roebuck Road to UCD)			✓				Progressing slowly due to lack of internal resources

Cycle Parking Development					✓		Contractor progressing cycle parking at following locations in April: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hillview Resource Centre, Ballinteer - 6 bike spaces</li> <li>Ballaly Luas Station - 6 bike spaces</li> <li>Shankill Garda Station – 6 bike spaces</li> <li>Shankill Dart Station – Repair of canopies to existing stands</li> <li>Sandyford BID – HUB17 – 10 bike spaces</li> <li>Scoil Colmcille SNS, Ballybrack – 10 bike &amp; 20 Scooter spaces</li> <li>St Columbanus National School, Loughlinstown Drive - 10 bike &amp; 20 Scooter spaces</li> <li>Monkstown Educate Together National School - 20 Scooter spaces</li> </ul>
Rapid deployment Cycle schemes						✓	Cycle Protection works are complete on Avondale Road and Newtownpark Avenue.
Stepaside Village and Cycle Scheme	✓						A preliminary design is ongoing
Sandyford Village and Cycle Scheme	✓						A preliminary design is ongoing
Dundrum Bypass						✓	This is with reference to the bus laybys being constructed on Dundrum bypass. Works complete.
<b>Public Consultations</b>							
None by the Roads and Traffic Section at present							

### Stillorgan Village Movement Framework Plan

Phase 3 – Prelim redesign almost complete.

### Road Safety, Cycling and Sustainable Travel

Recruitment for School Wardens. Garda Vetting procedure and issuing of PPE is now taking place.

### Speed Limit Review

Consultation with neighboring local authorities has been taking place in April 2023

### Traffic Advisory Group (TAG)

No TAG Meetings in April 2023.

### Deputations

Council staff met with the following residents on 19th of April 2023-

- Whitebarn Rd, Nugent Road and Oakdown Road, Churchtown Residents
- Kingston Heights Residents, Ballinteer
- Woodpark Residents, Ballinteer

### Bus Connects

ABP has advised that the decision due date for this planning application, has been put back with no new determination date provided. Regarding the Bray to City Centre CBC planning application, the submission of this application to ABP is now envisaged in Q2, 2023.

### Bus Interchanges at Dundrum, Dun Laoghaire & Blackrock

Discussions are ongoing with the NTA regarding bus interchange improvements at these locations. The improvements are needed to cater for the planned service increases under

the BusConnects' programme.

### Area Based Transport Assessments (ABTAs)

**Dundrum ABTA** - Work on this project is progressing and the ABTAs Stages 1, 2 & 3 now completed with work on Stage 4 - Preparation of a draft Local Transport Plan/ABTA Recommendations Report, now at an advanced stage.

**Racecourse South Lands & Kiltarnan - Glenamuck**– The Council, in conjunction with the NTA, is progressing Area Based Transport Assessments (ABTAs) for the Racecourse South Lands at Carrickmines, in accordance with the requirements of SLO 143 in the current County Development Plan and for the Kiltarnan – Glenamuck area in order to support the preparation of a Local Area Plan to replace the current Kiltarnan - Glenamuck Local Area Plan, due to expire later this year. The Council is aiming to have a consultant appointed in Q2 to commence the studies.

## 3. Roads Control Unit

### Irish Water Reinstatement IWR Works 2023

Roads Control Unit is continuing to carry out the permanent reinstatement works throughout the administration area of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council (DLRCC) according to the current service level agreement (SLA) between Irish Water and DLRCC.

### Roads Control Restoration Works RCRW 2023

Ref.	Programme Type	STATUS
<b>RCRP</b>	<b>Roads Control Restoration Programme 2023</b>	
1	Cherrygarth (Part off) off Trees Road Lower, Stillorgan	Pending completion of private surface water & drainage works.

### Section 254's

Local Authorities, in their capacity as planning authorities, are tasked with the issuing of licenses for the placement of appliances, cables, signs, and/or other items on public roads under Section 254 of the Planning and Development Act 2000. The Road Maintenance Section are the area responsible for the issuing of such licenses for above ground telecommunications infrastructure.

Section 254 – Above Ground Telecommunications Infrastructure	
1 <sup>st</sup> Jan 2023 – up to date	
Applications	
Received	5
Granted	0
Withdrawn	0
Refused	1

The Section 254 webpage is now live on [dlrcoco.ie](http://dlrcoco.ie)

Please follow the below link for details of Section 254 applications which have been processed: <https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/information-technology/section-254-above-ground-telecommunications-infrastructure>

#### 4. Cleansing, Beaches & Coastal Protection Section Statistics: March 2023

Cleansing & Beaches Stats	October 2022	November 2022	December 2022	January 2023	February 2023	March 2023
Weight of Rubbish Collected from Streets/Beaches (tonnes)	249	538	325	280	244	290
Clean-Ups Assisted	63	67	30	70	58	67
Animal Removals from Public Spaces	14	23	7	19	22	16
Bathing Water Samples Taken	18	18	18	18	18	18
Gullies Cleaned	1,177	792	690	1,210	961	1,391
Dumping Incidents Managed	34	32	65	44	35	34
Bathing Water Pollution Incidents Detected	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reported Overflows from Drainage Network to Bathing Water	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Street Bin Collections	5,294	4,620	4,670	5,103	4,847	4,905

\* Statistics available up to the end of March 2023.

#### Cleansing, Beaches & Coastal Protection Updates – April 2023

- Quinn’s Road Beach Access Repair Project – Main Contractor is expected to start on site on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of May, the project will run for approximately 8 weeks and access to the beach will be prohibited during this timeline.
- 40 Foot Remedial Repairs – The final ladder and handrail element have been installed.
- Kavanagh’s Corner (adjacent to the 40 Foot) – Storm damage occurred to the bathing area on the 9<sup>th</sup> March. Site surveys are now complete. Drawings are being prepared for tender purposes.
- Killiney Beach – Replacement of protective fencing works have commenced beneath an area prone to cliff face coastal erosion.
- Marker Buoys – A proposal has been sent to the Board of Irish Lights for the installation of 2 Marker Buoys at the 40 Foot waterfront and 3 Marker Buoys at the DLR Baths waterfront. Approval to install the Marker Buoys is pending from Irish Lights.
- Public Realm cleaning is on-going presently with power washing and furniture cleaning.
- DLR Baths – Maintenance crews are in place at the Baths and daily cleaning is underway to remove washed up seaweed, stones, sand etc. whilst also emptying bins.
- The Road and Cycle Lane Sweeping is on-going as per the schedules and also as per CRM requests.

- Gully Cleaning operations and early morning works are on-going.
- Beach Lifeguard interviews were held. A second Beach Lifeguard advert has been released with a closing date of the 4<sup>th</sup> May.
- Bathing Water Sampling is on-going at our 9 locations every fortnight as scheduled.
- Submissions for a contractor weeding tender are under review with the intention to appoint a contractor to start weeding by mid-May.
- The annual Bin Review is complete and has been circulated. The Bin review will be presented as a headed item at the upcoming Area Committees.

## 5. Relevant Statistics

There were 2401 Fixed charge notices/fines issued between 30<sup>th</sup> March and 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023 breakdown of which is as follows:

<b>Violation</b>	<b>No. tickets issued</b>
Vehicle committing an offence contrary to Pay & Display/Permit Parking Area Regulations	1,042
Vehicle committing an offence contrary to Pay & Display Parking Regulations	383
Parking a non-goods vehicle in a goods vehicle loading bay	325
Parking a vehicle on a footway	185
Parking a vehicle on a roadway with less than 3 lanes where there is a continuous white line	80
Parking a vehicle on a double yellow line	74
Parking a vehicle in a taxi stand	67
Vehicle committing an offence contrary to Pay & Display / Permit Parking Area Regulations	58
Parking or stopping a vehicle in a disabled person`s parking bay	47
OVERSTAYING 3 HOUR PARKING LIMIT	47
Parking a goods vehicle in a loading bay for over 30mins	22
Parking a vehicle at a no parking sign at a time prohibited	15
Parking a vehicle within a stopping place or stand or bus stop	13
Parking a vehicle within 5 meters of a road junction	5
OVERSTAYING 2 HOUR PARKING LIMIT	5
Not parking a vehicle within the limits of a parking bay	4
Parking out of the limits of a bay	3
Parking Electric Vehicle Only Bay	3
Parking a vehicle on a single yellow line during a prohibited time	3
OVERSTAYING 1 HOUR PARKING LIMIT	3
Parking a vehicle obstructing other traffic	3
Parking a vehicle on a cycle track	3
Parking a vehicle within 15 meters of pedestrian crossing (approach side) or 5 meters on the other side	2
Parking or stopping a vehicle on a clearway	2
Parking a vehicle on a median strip	2
Parking a vehicle on a grass margin	2

Parking a vehicle in a prohibited place	1
Parking a vehicle within 15 meters approach side of traffic lights	1
Parking a vehicle within 5 meters of exit side of traffic lights	1
<b>Total no. of tickets issued between 30th March and 26th April 2023</b>	<b>2,401</b>

There were no convictions secured in the District Court in April 2023.

### Public Lighting

Work continues on the replacement of the old lights with LED lighting which is more energy efficient, gives less maintenance and improved service. General maintenance including upgrading of brackets, columns and Networks is also on-going.

### Public Lighting Maintenance

Number of repairs carried out in Apr 2023:	289
Percentage of lights out at the end of Apr 2023:	1.1%
Pole replacement carried out in Apr 2023:	0
Bracket replacements:	56
Tree trimming:	185
ESBN Connections/ Requests:	26
LED Upgrades:	48
Total lights upgraded to LED:	20,971
Total percentage (%) of lights as LED:	86.3%

### Planning and Building Control

Applications analysed:	30
Inspections completed:	1

### Requests

Light requested by stakeholders (completed)

Additions:	0
Alterations:	6
Legal requests:	4

### Road Opening Licences (30<sup>th</sup> March – 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023)

<b>National Maproad Roadworks Licensing MRL System</b>	
Applications Received	124
Applications Not Processed Yet	65
Applications Refused/Withdrawn	0
Valid Licences Issued	59
Licensed Works Completed	0

## **Road Closures, Filming Locations and Event Signage**

In April 2023 there were:

- 2 applications for road closure
- 1 application for film locations
- 1 application for event signage



### **Energy**

Members of the dlr Energy Team participated in the EU project PROBONO, GeoDesign Workshops with other dlr staff and local community groups held in the dlr LexIcon and facilitated by UCD.

### **Conservation**

Planning Applications (inc.FI & comp reports)	23
Section 5 Declarations	4

### **Dangerous Buildings**

Dangerous	0
Potentially Dangerous	2
Not Dangerous	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>

### **Community Response Forum**

The Community response to the crisis in Ukraine and the influx of Ukrainian nationals into the county is being led and coordinated by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council in collaboration with a wide range of stakeholders in the Community Response Forum, supported by a wide range of community and volunteer groups.

The Community Response Forum has been meeting since 28 March 2022 and has met once during April 2023. Support services are being provided to those Ukrainian nationals who are being accommodated in the Ballyogan Rest Centre and Larch Hill Scout Centre as well as in hotels and in private accommodation within the County.

English classes and other activities continue to be provided in Ballyogan, Sandyford, Dundrum and Loughlinstown. English classes are also being provided in libraries. Employment support services are being organised by Southside Partnership dlr.

### **Joint Policing Committee (JPC) & Local Policing Fora (LPF)**

The JPC Annual Report 2022 was noted at the April Council meeting.

Public consultation on the Draft Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Joint Policing Committee Strategic Plan 2023-2028 is now open for submissions. The closing date for submissions is the 19th of May. Below is the link to the consultation on citizen space.

Draft [Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown Joint Policing Committee Strategic Plan 2023-2028](#) Here

A meeting of the Sandyford Stepside LPF took place on 25th April 2023.

### **LCDC**

A meeting of the LCDC meeting took place on the 26th April. At this meeting the Community Support Fund applications which were recommended for approval were approved by the LCDC.

### **LECP**

Public consultation for the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Local Economic and Community Plan 2023-2028 is now open. The consultation which will be conducted from April – May 2023 includes written submissions, surveys, interviews and workshops. Views, ideas and feedback are invited from the public, businesses and other key stakeholders for the new LECP by Friday 12th May 2023.

For more details on the overall consultation process, please see: [www.dlrcoco.ie/lecp](http://www.dlrcoco.ie/lecp)

### **Age-Friendly & Social Inclusion Programme, April 2023:**

The [launch of the dlr Age Well Expo 2023](#) took place during April and the free Expo event will take place on Sunday 11th June 2023 in the Leopardstown Racecourse Pavilion from 10a.m – 4p.m. Further information and registration available at [dlrevents.eventbrite.ie](http://dlrevents.eventbrite.ie)

Training for monitoring the implementation of the dlr Age-Friendly Strategy 2022-2026 took place during April. This training was attended by dlrc staff and other organisations implementing actions included in the Strategy.

The dlr Older People's Council (OPC) held their Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 18th April in the Boylan Centre, Dún Laoghaire.

The Area Community Officer, Age-Friendly Programme Manager, and DLR Sports



Partnership, continue to support the residents of the Rochestown House Complex with social activities and events, with movement classes and gardening activities beginning in April and open to all residents.

The Social Inclusion Unit supported the Vishu (Hindu festival) and Easter celebrations event which took place on the 14th April in St. Brigid's Hall, Stillorgan. Over 200 members of the Malayalees community in South Dublin attended the event along with An Cathaoirleach, Councillor Mary Hanafin, also, Minister of State, Neale Richmond, and elected members of dlrc and An Garda Síochána.

The dlr Integration Forum held their meeting on 25th April in the Mounttown Community Facility.

### **Estate Management**

dlr Estate Management County Fora held their AGM on Tuesday 18th April 2023 in Ballyogan Parish Hall where members from all Estate Management Forums attended in person.

All Estate Management Forums have received their annual funding for the year and are working on progressing actions within their plans. Progress has been made with departments on the internal MIT programme.

### **Comhairle na nÓg**

The biannual National Showcase Event was held in Croke Park on the 4th April. Over 500 young people attended from the 31 Comhairlí giving them the opportunity to exhibit their work and highlight how young people have their voices heard on policies, services and issues that impact them. DLR Comhairle presented their work on Fast fashion and their action plan to create a series of podcasts for young people on Vaping, Exam Stress, and Body Image. The Comhairle were delighted to meet with An Taoiseach that day and present him with an overview of their work.

### **UBU Funding**

Dlr Community Section has been approved for UBU Your Place Your Space funding for 2023. This funding is used to support 4 Facilities to provide space for Youth activities and services to take place. There has been a 4% increase in the funding allocation for 2023.

### **Mens-Sheds**

Up to date data on Men's Sheds, including contact details, opening hours and activities has been finalised for inclusion in the upcoming hard copy Directory of Activities & Services for Older People in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown 2023.

The [www.dlrcommunity.ie](http://www.dlrcommunity.ie) webpage has been updated and now includes a tab for Mens Sheds in the dlr area. Each of the Men's-Sheds in dlr can use this webpage to promote activities and events in their respective areas. Training to support the Mens Sheds in updating this Website is in process.

There will be reps from respective sheds present at the Age Well Expo being held in June at Leopardstown.

### **Network of Community Facilities**

The Network of Community Facilities met in early April with an agenda set out and agreed for the rest of the year. Training is being co-ordinated for webpage management towards promotion, optimising bookings and communication of activities across Facilities.

### **Residents Associations**

Community Section staff continue to provide information and support to requests from local communities seeking support in setting up resident's associations.

### **Smart Villages**

An introductory meeting was held in Glencullen Community Centre on the 17th April. The 'Smart Villages Training Programme for Rural Dublin' is a pilot initiative led by Fingal LEADER Partnership in association with KPMG Future Analytics. The aim of this pilot Programme, which will run between April and June, is to assist local communities in developing the knowledge and skills needed to produce local Smart Village Action Plans.

### **Arts**

#### **Municipal Art Gallery, dlr LexIcon**

There is a selection of artworks from the County Collection on display in the Gallery including some recent acquisitions.

#### **Music**

Following an open call Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council and Music Network have announced the appointment of the dlr Musicians-In-Residence 2023. This year's scheme provides two residencies for established musicians - violinist Lidia Jewloszewicz-Clarke and singer Simon Morgan - and an additional residency to support the work of an emerging musician, for guitarist Chris Comhaill. This scheme is funded by The Arts Office.

### **Libraries**

#### **dlr Libraries Online**

Online Resources

We have a vast selection of resources/services available on our website here <https://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/online-library>

All you need is your dlr Library card.

- Kanopy is our film streaming service that provides instant access to thousands of critically-acclaimed movies, documentaries and shows for children. Partnering with studios like A24, The Criterion Collection, PBS and more, there is sure to be something for everyone in the family to enjoy.
- Moshi is a well-being app for kids, with hundreds of original and inspiring audio stories, music and mindful meditations to enrich the imagination, promote improved sleep, and unlock potential.
- TumbleBooks is a streaming website of e-books for children
- LOTE is an online database of digital books in World Languages, created for children to enjoy books and learn language through storytelling. The platform provides over 1,600+ digital books in 50+ languages together with English translations. New books and languages are added each month
- Who Next? and Who else Writes like?
- Online Guides for adults and children. Help your child on their reading journey, by finding another author they love on whonextguide.com and for adults, browse genres or authors on whoelsewriteslike.com
- Medici.tv is the leading video streaming service in classical music, opera, dance, and jazz. There are thousands of videos of concerts, operas, ballet, jazz, and masterclasses, as well as weekly and monthly live concerts and all that is required is a dlr Library Card.

A snapshot of our list of resources is here: <https://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/events-and-news/library-news/dlr-libraries-resources-ukrainian-nationals> and at: <https://padlet.com/dlrLibraries/vlqvsj8lxav4ukf0>

As with all DLR websites, content on <https://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/> can be accessed in multiple languages, including Ukrainian and Russian, by using the Accessibility button at the top of the webpage. Online platforms with Ukrainian and Russian resources include: [LOTE Online](#), [PressReader](#) and [Borrowbox](#)

### **Yoga for Adults**

Yoga classes with Sally Dunne continue every Friday in dlr LexIcon. Half the available spaces are reserved for Ukrainian nationals living nearby, with many regular participants.

### **Sensory programming**

Continuing our programming of inclusive events for the neurodiverse, we held Yoga and music with Lydia Sasse and the Music Makers on Saturday 15 April. We had an area with sensory toys and equipment set up for participants to use if they needed to self-regulate during the sessions. This series continues to be very popular and welcomed by parents of children with additional needs, and feedback has been extremely positive.

Our Magic Tables in dlr LexIcon, Deansgrange and Dalkey Libraries continue to be booked for use by individuals and groups, and requests to borrow items from our Accessible Services Collection [ASC] of sensory toys and equipment, are ongoing. We continue with designated Quiet Evenings in some branches where lighting is dimmed, and phones and IT equipment are silenced to make our spaces more welcoming for the neurodiverse.

### **New! Fact Factory Audio Magazine**

The Fact Factory Audio Magazine is now available for loan from dlr Libraries and also from Library Culture Team as part of our ASC (Accessible Services Collection). The Fact Factory is an audio magazine with assistive technology that aims to benefit children aged 7 – 11yrs with reading difficulties, vision problems, dyslexia, English as an additional language and other marginalised readers. Children can listen to the text in the magazine using the reader pen provided in the pack, to create an immersive and accessible reading experience.

### **Digital programming**

#### **TY Tech sessions**

Students from local Transition Year classes were available in Dalkey Library on 19 April to help older library visitors with any tech queries they had about their smart phone, tablet or laptop. These sessions will continue in May as part of our Bealtaine Festival programming.

### **Events for Adults**

#### **Musical Memories Choir**

The Musical Memories Choir for adults with dementia has resumed in Deansgrange Library, facilitated by Newpark Academy of Music. The Choir gives people an opportunity to come together in a relaxed environment and reconnect through music. Music and singing helps lift mood, provides cognitive stimulation and supports social interaction. The group meet weekly on a Thursday.

#### **dlr Yarnspinners**

Our second dlr Yarnspinners Storytelling Circle took place on 19 April, hosted by Nuala Hayes with special guest Traveller Storyteller Helen Hutchinson.



**One Dublin One Book: Collaborative Events**

One Dublin One Book is a Dublin City Council initiative, led by Dublin City Libraries, which encourages everyone to read a book connected with the capital city during the month of April every year. The book chosen for 2023 is The Coroner's Daughter by Andrew Hughes. As part of One Dublin One Book, dlr Libraries were delighted to have 2 events in dlr LexIcon. On Wednesday 12 April we welcomed author Andrew Hughes in conversation with Martina Devlin, and on Tuesday 25 April we had Murderous Ballads with Pádraig Ó Nualláin. Pádraig's performance included songs and the stories behind them accompanied by a visual presentation, from the 18th to 20th century of serial murderers, executions, hauntings and grave robbing.

**Library Clubs & Groups for adults**

A wide variety of clubs and groups continue to use our library spaces to meet.

These include the Language Exchanges and the Scrabble Club in Deansgrange Library, the Craft Circle in Shankill Library, the Knit Club in Cabinteely Library, and the Family Lego Club in Blackrock Library. The staff-led Film Club in Blackrock continues along with the Ciorcal Comhrá, the informal Irish conversation group which takes place in the LexIcon Café every Tuesday morning.

Each of the 8 branches have in-person book clubs, including the Audio Book Club in Dundrum Library with some also continuing with their online book clubs, due to ongoing demand. The very popular online monthly Book Club with Mary Burnham continues to meet online. Midwinter Break by Bernard Mc Laverty, was discussed at the April meeting.

As part of its centenary year celebrations, the Ulysses book Club for adults is ongoing in Dundrum Library. For those who've always wanted to read this literary masterpiece, members have been meeting monthly to discuss two chapters at a time in order to finish the tome ahead of Bloomsday on 16 June 2023.

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**Exhibition Programme**

**Captured: An exhibition by the Dublin Camera Club**

**Level 4, dlr LexIcon**

**Until 11 April 2023**

The Dublin Camera Club, founded in 1945, is the oldest and largest camera club in Ireland. It brings together photographers of all ages and abilities to develop and share knowledge in a collaborative environment. This wonderful exhibition is the first time since the Pandemic that the club is holding an exhibition of photographic prints.

**What Lies Beneath: Excavating the former Europa Cars site in Blackrock**

**Level 3, dlr LexIcon**

**Until 24 April 2023**

This archaeological exhibition gives an insight into what was found on the site of the former Europa Cars Ltd, located on the corner of Newtown Avenue and Maretimo Terrace in Blackrock. The excavation was carried out under archaeological licence by Aisling Collins Archaeology Services (ACAS) over a four month period commencing in January 2022.

The dig revealed the foundations of Dove House which dates from as early as the 1700s. Most of the artefacts recovered date from the 18th and 19th centuries and provide an interesting portal into the daily lives of the residents of this house. The other major

development revealed on the site were the two tram depots which were constructed at the turn of the 19th century.

### **Theatre through the years: A collection of theatrical memorabilia from dlr Local Studies Collection**

**Level 5, dlr LexIcon**

**Until 30 April 2023**

This exhibition is a curated display of books and memorabilia relating to the theatre of Dublin and the local area of DLR. It is a selection from amateur and professional drama groups and theatres. The exhibits on display show the talent and variety of the theatre and its thespians.

### **Press Photographer of the Year 2023 Exhibition**

**Level 4, dlr LexIcon**

**11 April- 11 May 2023**

The Press Photographers' Association of Ireland (PPAI) exhibition is now on display in dlr LexIcon, Dún Laoghaire. The exhibition of winning and highly-commended imagery was officially launched by An Cathaoirleach, Cllr. Mary Hanafin on 13 April and will be on display until 11 May. The Press Photographer of the Year 2023 title was awarded to Mark Condren of Irish Independent/Sunday Independent for a record sixth time. The judges commented: "The photographer did not just manage to cover the main events of the year, at home and abroad, but they brought to their assignments an unerring ability to come away with remarkable images. Their sense of news value, sense of timing, ability to choose original angles and creativity all came to the fore and they are an absolutely deserving winner of this award." To view the full portfolio of entries visit <https://ppai.ie/year/2023/#photoarea>

### **Línte na Farraiige**

**Moran Park, dlr LexIcon**

**Until 31 May 2023**

Línte na Farraiige is an outdoor bilingual exhibition on the subject of a series of LED light installations across Irish coastal sites, designed by Finnish artists Timo Aho and Pekka Niittyvirta. The installations show the risks of rising seas and storm surges and demonstrate the need to reduce our greenhouse gas emissions and adapt together to protect our coastlines, communities and infrastructure from the effects of climate change. More information at [www.lintenafarraige.com](http://www.lintenafarraige.com)

For information on all our onsite and online exhibitions, please visit

<https://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/events-and-news/exhibitions>

## **Events for Children**

### **Spring into Storytime**

Spring into Storytime takes places in libraries across Ireland every April, and this year we hosted storytime events in all our library branches throughout the month. Spring into Storytime is part of the national Right to Read programme which aims to promote literacy and reading development for people of all ages and backgrounds. Events included Genie Mackers Storytime in Dundrum Library with a puppet show, storytime and a bubble disco, Storyteller Wayne O'Connor visited Deansgrange and dlr LexIcon for storytelling sessions, and Juliette Saumande held a special baby book club in Dalkey Library. Events also took places for local schools including Traditional Fairy Tales and Folklore with Patrick Ryan, Magical Memories Workshop with Eve McDonnell and Alan Nolan's Deadly Dublin. Our regular storytimes in our libraries took place throughout the month as usual, and Tatyana Feeney has a very special online storytime for her new book Mr.Wolf Goes to the Ball, which is available on the dlr YouTube Channel until the end of April.

### Technology Week [17-23 April]

Children from local schools took part in workshops across dlr Libraries to celebrate technology week including: coding bracelets workshop, pixels workshop and 3D printing demos.

### Easter Crafts

A host of Easter and Spring events for children were held across our libraries including Easter Crafts with Library staff in Dalkey, Mixed Media Easter Rabbit Workshop with White Doodle Art in Blackrock Library, and a Flower Crown workshop with artist Kim Jenkinson in Dundrum Library.

### Library Clubs & Groups for children

Blackrock, Dalkey, Dundrum & Shankill Library all run weekly Parent and Toddler groups, as well as Baby Book Clubs in Dalkey, Cabinteely, dlr LexIcon once a week. Shankill Library run a monthly Junior bookclub and Dalkey have recently started a new family book club. Storytimes for children take place across our libraries weekly. For full details visit: <https://libraries.dlrcoco.ie/events-and-news/library-services-for-the-young/storytime>

### Statistics

#### Social media (as of 19 April)

Facebook	7,943
Twitter	8,763
Instagram	3,756
TikTok	393
dlr Libraries e-bulletin	10,733

#### Online resources (as of 20 April)

Resource	Description	Prelim stats Apr 2023
Overdrive	ebooks	1394
	eaudio	1293
	Magazines	2833
	Comics	1
Borrowbox	eaudio	6619
	ebook	3376
Freegal	Streaming and downloads	2025
Pressreader	Offsite and onsite Newspapers	13641
Tumblebooks	Streaming e-books	8
Lote4Kids	logins	1
Who else writes	logins	2
Who next guide	logins	2
Medici	Videos Viewed	Stats available at month end



Moshi	Accounts	Stats available at month end
Kanopy	Visits	921
Totals		32,116

## Parks

- Landscape Maintenance ongoing in Public Open Spaces/Parks/Sports Pitches/Playgrounds/Cemeteries/Housing sites/Halting Site/Senior Citizens residence/ Reservoirs & Pumping Stations/Sandyford Industrial Estate/Road Reservations/Margins, roundabouts, medians & embankments (Grass cutting/litter picking etc), ongoing by Landscape Maintenance Contractors and Parks Staff
- Tree pruning works continuing countywide
- Tree planting complete countywide
- Shared cycle/pedestrian routes constructed around Balally Park
- Marlay Putting Green Open to the public 21<sup>st</sup> April 2023
- Ticknick Park (Cherrywood) transferred over to DLR Parks at end of April
- Corke Abbey/Woodbrook Glen - playground to open in May 2023
- Myrtle Square & Convent Lane Greening - construction on-going for completion in September 2023
- Meadowbrook Pitches, Courts & Teenage Play - construction on-going for completion in September 2023
- Kilbogget Park, Contractor commenced upgrade work to pitches and running track
- Fernhill Park & Gardens Phase 3 - sports pavilion works for completion in June 2023
- All Weather Pitch at Oatlands - Part 8 commenced in April 2023
- Shanganagh Park Phase 1 - Part 8 commenced in April 2023

## Heritage

- Spring into Heritage 2023 ongoing (until May 6<sup>th</sup>)
- Community Monument Fund 2023 approved projects; Carrickbrennan cemetery conservation plan; Carrickmines castle detailed conservation plan; Puck's Castle conservation works; Kilgobbin Castle conservation plan
- National Heritage Officer Network workshop on Climate Actions
- James Joyce Tower and Museum Board meeting
- Presentation to Stillorgan Collage of Further Education Tour Guide students on county heritage and resources
- Surveys of historic cemeteries with Biodiversity Officer
- Planning for summer Street Art walking tours
- Dublin Heritage Officers co-ordination meeting
- Meeting with Eurofound
- Progression of Dún Laoghaire Augmented Reality historic photo project
- Naming and numbering planning compliance reports
- Ongoing liaison and advice to internal dlr sections, citizens, and community groups

## Sports Development

### Dlr Leisure set up the following activities in April 2023

#### Schools (Drafts after school programme)

- Queen of Angels Dundrum (10-12 age)
- Columbanus, Loughlinstown (10-12 age)
- St. John's, Ballybrack (10-12 age)

- Scoil Mhuire Shankill (10-12 age)
- Gael Scoil Phadraig Ballybrack (10-12 age)

#### **Easter Camps (Assisted by Leinster Rugby and UCD coaches)**

- Sallynoggin Crosscare - mixed group (10-16 age)
- Dún Laoghaire Crosscare - mixed group (10-16 age)
- Ballybrack Crosscare - mixed group (10-16 age)
- Shankill Crosscare - mixed group (10-12 age)
- Mounttown Crosscare - mixed group (10-16 age)
- Whitehouse Crosscare - mixed group (13-16 age)
- Kilcross Crosscare - mixed group (10-12 age)
- Hollyhouse Southside Partnership - mixed group (10-12 age)
- Ballaly Family Resource Centre - mixed group (10-14 age)

**Total number attended our Easter camps: 261.**

#### **Youth groups**

- Rosemount Family Resource Centre - mixed group (10-14 age)
- Ballyogan Family Resource Centre - mixed group (10-12 age)
- Dún Laoghaire Crosscare - girls only gym session (15-17 age)
- Dún Laoghaire Crosscare - girls group (10-12 age)
- Sallynoggin Youth Group – Active Youth Challenge (10-12 age)
- Boylan Centre - mixed group (15-17 age)
- Whitehouse Crosscare - mixed group (10-12 age)
- Whitehouse Crosscare - boys group (13-15 age)
- Youth Diversion Ballyogan - boys group (15-16 age)
- Ballybrack Crosscare - boys group (15-17 age)
- Carmona Special Needs Group - mixed group (18-24 age)
- Strive Disability Group - mixed group (18-24 age)

#### **Other activities**

- Collaborated with Whitehouse Crosscare and ran a football blitz that involved refugees based in Dundrum. Further consultations are in place to run a sports programme going forward for this group.
- Assisting dlr Sports Partnership with their 'Men on the Move' programme.
- Met Laura from Nutgrove Crosscare and have booked a youth group in for the end of May for 4 weeks. (Update to follow)
- Met Marion, Good Shepard school Liaison officer, and have booked in an after-school sports programme starting in May for 4 weeks (Update to follow)
- Met Joseline from Sophia House and are currently working on arranging an after-school sports programme for their clients.
- Met Sophie from Booterstown Crosscare in relation to assisting with their summer camps and are booked in for 11th July. (updates to follow)
- Met with Niamh O' Hanlon from Scoil Colmcille's, Ballybrack in relation to setting up an after-school programme starting in May (update to follow)
- Met with dlr Sports Partnership in relation to assisting with an Usher Syndrome event they are running in September. (Update to follow)
- Met with Louise from Ballyogan Family Resource Centre in relation to setting up programmes after Easter.
- Met with George from Larch Hill along with dlr Sports Partnership and Aidan Boyle, School Completion Office, to arrange activities.

#### **Leinster Rugby April 2023 Report Jonathan Sharkey (Leinster Rugby CRO)**

Primary Schools = 6

Males = 465

Females = 246

**Emily McKeown (Leinster Rugby WDO)**

Primary Schools = 4

Males = 107

Females = 233

Secondary Schools = 3

Males = 51

Females = 61

**Andrew Egan (Leinster Rugby CCRO in Old Wesley RFC)**

Primary Schools = 9

Males = 217

Females = 132

**Luke Sloyan (Leinster Rugby CCRO in Seapoint RC) – Luke’s contract finished at the end of March 2023. his final numbers and breakdown are below.**

<b>Seapoint RC CCRO</b>	<b>Boys</b>	<b>Girls</b>
<b>U7</b>	54	60
<b>U8</b>	117	58
<b>U9</b>	125	48
<b>U10</b>	140	105
<b>U11</b>	145	116
<b>U12</b>	159	111
<b>U13</b>	147	121
<b>U14</b>	15	13
<b>U15</b>	173	63
<b>U16</b>	109	0
<b>U17</b>	0	0
<b>U18</b>	0	0
<b>U19</b>	0	0
	<b>1184</b>	<b>695</b>
		<b>1879</b>

**dlr rugby clubs sessions, workshops or AOB (please include numbers and breakdown male/female)**

dlr sports partnership – Balally Easter camp – EMcK

dlr sports partnership – Loughlinstown Easter camp – JS

dlr sports partnership – Monkstown Easter camp – JS

Leinster Rugby impact meeting – Stillorgan Rathfarnham RFC – JS and EMcK

Leinster Rugby impact meeting – Blackrock College RFC – JS and EMcK

Leinster Rugby impact meeting – St Brigid’s RFC – JS and EMcK

Leinster Rugby impact meeting – Seapoint RC – JS and EMcK

**dlr female club rugby**

Blackrock College RFC mini female IRFU Give it A Try – 2 sessions – 25 females – EMcK

DLSP FC U14s female session – 16 females – EMcK

Seapoint RC Leinster Rugby Come and Try U14s – April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – numbers TBC –

EMcK

Old Wesley RFC U12s participated in Seapoint RC Blitz – 23<sup>rd</sup> of April 2023 – AE

Old Wesley RFC female rugby open day – 30<sup>th</sup> of April 2023 – AE

**dlr rugby development schools (male/female)**

Newpark Comprehensive School female rugby 1<sup>st</sup> years and 2<sup>nd</sup> years – 18 females – EMcK

Leinster Rugby dlr county councils female training – 16 females – EMcK

Leinster Rugby dlr county councils male training – 25 males – JS, AE and LS

**South Dublin 7s or female tournaments 1<sup>st</sup> year touch or X7s (dlr only)**

Leinster Rugby dlr County Councils female team 2023 winners – EMcK

Leinster Rugby dlr County Councils male team 2023 finalist – JS, AE and LS

Leinster Rugby South Dublin 7s finals day – Donnybrook – 100 males – JS and AE

School Year 2022/23 (April 2023)	Boys	Girls	Totals
<b>U7</b>	149	146	<b>295</b>
<b>U8</b>	526	378	<b>904</b>
<b>U9</b>	544	379	<b>923</b>
<b>U10</b>	660	617	<b>1277</b>
<b>U11</b>	692	592	<b>1284</b>
<b>U12</b>	673	602	<b>1275</b>
<b>U13</b>	702	650	<b>1352</b>
<b>U14</b>	15	118	<b>133</b>
<b>U15</b>	212	145	<b>357</b>
<b>U16</b>	109	14	<b>123</b>
<b>U17</b>	12	35	<b>47</b>
<b>U18</b>	0	19	<b>19</b>
<b>U19</b>	0	1	<b>1</b>
<b>Grand totals</b>	<b>4294</b>	<b>3696</b>	<b>7990</b>

**FAI:**

- **Administration** - Planning work for all programmes in 2023 on a continual basis. Regional and national staff meetings and training days on-going on a weekly and monthly basis.
- **FFA** – Planning DLR programmes with FFA Development Officer and DLR Sports.
- **Club Mark:** On-going contact meetings with other registered clubs to achieve award.
- **Safeguarding/Child Welfare** – Courses planned for May and June.

**Schools**

- **Futsal in The Yard** – 600 boys and girls **throughout March and April.**
- **Primary 5s** – 36 DLR schools entered, approximately 1,000 boys and girls participated. The tournament was hosted by Wayside Celtic.

**Coach Ed**

PDP 1 delivered in Mt Merrion, 2 PDP 2s delivered in Rosemount Mulvey FC and Leicester Celtic FC for all clubs in DLR. Over 60 men and women attended. Coach Ed planning for May and June ongoing.

**Soccer Sisters**

Cabinteely, Mt Merrion and Leicester Celtic hosted new Soccer Sisters educational programme and were supported by five other DLR Clubs. Programme consists of two workshops and one pitch session based on Future Stars Curriculum. One hundred Coaches, Parents took part and 120 girls joined in the practical sessions.

### Girls ETP

Ongoing weekly High Performance sessions for 26 U-13 girls in Stepside.

### Disney Playmakers

Three Clubs enlisted for 5-8 year old girls' programme. Leicester Celtic, Rosemount/Mulvey FC and United Girls signed up, over 100+ girls enrolled.

### Future Stars

Link between St Joseph's AFC and St Kevin's NS Sallynoggin developed through 9-12 yrs. programme. 25 girls take part weekly.

### Leinster Cricket:

- On-going planning for future school yard sessions.
- Planning for area blitz competitions are nearing completion with 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> class blitzes taking part in both Shanganagh and Marlay parks.
- An introduction to cricket sessions took place in Holy Cross National School, Dundrum. 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> class took part.
- Sessions completed in the following schools.
  - o Rathmichael NS
  - o Kill of the Grange NS
  - o Ballinteer GNS stream A
  - o Glencullen NS
  - o Glenageary & Killiney NS
  - o Balinteer GNS stream B
  - o St. Mary's Boys NS Booterstown
- Sessions for Taney National School in Marlay Park have commenced, with double stream classes in 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and sixth classes 7 coaches in total required.
- Full intro to cricket sessions completed from Junior infants to 6<sup>th</sup> class at Glencullen NS and G&K NS
- Teacher training sessions have taken place in both Kill of the Grange and Glenageary and Killiney National Schools. The sessions were incredibly well received by both schools and more sessions are planned with other schools.
- Continued liaison with both Sandyford and DLR cricket clubs regarding on-going works at both Marlay and Shanganagh parks.

### Sports Partnership

- **LAMA Awards 2023** – winner under the Best Community Transport Initiative for our Inclusive Cycling For All project.
- **Try Track and Field** – started delivery of this new physical literacy programme in 5 DEIS Primary Schools in collaboration with Athletics Ireland (450 participants).
- **Sports Forum** – meeting held with a focus on progressing club opportunities for people with a disability as well as information sharing amongst clubs in the county.
- **Multi-Sports Club for Children on the Spectrum** – establishing new parent led weekly sessions in Ballyogan. Starting in May with 2 separate sessions (24 children).
- **Women In Sport Leadership** – this eight module peer training and support programme for 20 females involved in sport in DLR has started for a third round.
- **Walking Football** – working with 4 local Men's Sheds to roll out this initiative in Loughlinstown and Meadowbrook for men over 50 (30 participants).
- **Social Media** – regular posting and sharing of Sports Partnership and wider opportunities across Twitter (2,081), Facebook (3,812) and Instagram (771).
- **Sports Partnership Website** – finalising content & layout for launch in early May.

- **Dormant Accounts Fund** – submitted 5 applications for 2023 grants. Delivering 2022 funded projects across five different projects.
- **Schools Supports Booklet** – circulating to local schools to highlight potential DLRSP supports with one focused on primary and the other secondary schools.
- **Roller-Skating Programme** – delivering this new initiative to TY's in Cabinteely Community School (25 teenage girls).
- **Walking For Health** – delivering two new 5-week walking programmes in Marlay Park with one focusing on social and the other fitness walking (50 participants).
- **Sofa To Saddle Cycle Programme** – started this new 5-week cycle programme for over 55 years novice cyclists with Age & Opportunity (10 participants).
- **Over 55's Chair Aerobics** – 6-week programmes being delivered in Loughlinstown and Ballyogan with local retirement groups (35 participants).
- **SociaBall** – linking in with Dublin Raiders to introduce females into the sport of basketball in a fun and social environment (15 participants).
- **Urban Outdoors Adventure** – project in Rockford Manor (50 students) and St. Augustine's Special School with rock climbing and kayaking.
- **Inclusive Learn to Cycle** – delivering two 6-week programmes for children with a disability to learn to cycle with Enable Ireland (29 children).
- **Inclusive Tennis** – 10-week programme with St. Augustine's Special School to introduce the sport to teens with an intellectual disability.
- **Inclusion Summer Camps** – putting in place initial work to organise and deliver camps for children with complex disabilities over the summer months.
- **Boules Courts** – launch of new courts installed in Marlay Park on the 30th of March. Kilbogget park courts are also complete.
- **ExWell** – 3rd of these 8-week programmes nearly complete for older adults with chronic illnesses. Supports in place to continue (Sandyford Community Centre).
- **Sports First Aid** – delivered on 22<sup>nd</sup> April for local club volunteers (12 attendees).
- **Child Safeguarding** – 3 Safeguarding Workshops in April (38 attendees)